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### **Remarks—General**

### **Overcoming Seydel and Wu**

Applicant now overcomes the rejection of all claims on Seydel and Wu by newly restricting this application's main claim to a sliding lock, a structure not present in the references. The block shape claimed for this slider, described in the specification and shown in the drawings, is significant in addition to its sliding locking and sliding unlocking actions, because it functions as a handle for user to grasp when actuating the lock projection. Three years of shopping experience with applicant's working model have shown the importance of the blocks on these locks. For example, with fingers beneath block 45U in Fig. 1 and thumb atop handle brace 49, a gentle hand squeeze draws block to brace, releasing the upper basket. A similar squeeze between lower block 45L and an opening in upper anchor block 37U releases the lower basket. Also, the blocks serve the additional function of enhancing the dual spine's structural rigidity.

### **Overcoming 35 USC 112 rejections**

The generalized "attachments" objected to have been removed from the three dependent claims 82, 87 and 91, which dealt primarily with cart wheel alternatives. Now restated as claims 95, 99 and 103, they deal exclusively with wheels.

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### **Meeting Examiner's further objection**

**Objection:** claims have not been identified as associated with the elected species.

**Solution:** applicant now declares that he has met the restriction requirement of Feb. 2, 2005 by electing Species I, illustrated in figures 1, 2, 6, and 12. Applicant further declares that he considers all new claims submitted herewith to be readable upon the elected species.

### **Further narrowing of main claim**

Applicant has identified an additional structure for inclusion as a restriction upon his main independent claim: legs attaching wheels to spine. Such terms have been added as subparagraph 92. F. This limitation distinguishes over Scydcl and other art previously cited. It reflects applicant's general effort to identify every physical element of his cart which may help define over prior carts.

### **Substance of Interview**

Applicant has been directed, by the Advisory Action and Interview Summary mailed 2007 November 13, to provide a Substance of Interview statement at this time. After carefully reviewing Examiner's 2-page summary of the details, including his 16-line overall analysis, applicant respectfully submits that Examiner's coverage of the conversation appears complete, and that he can find nothing needed to be added at this time.

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### **Conditional Request for Constructive Assistance**

Applicant has amended the claims of this application so that they are proper, definite, and define novel structure which is also unobvious.

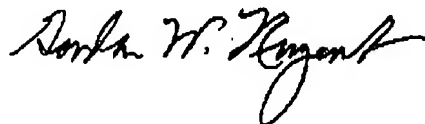
Therefore applicant now solicits reconsideration and allowance.

If, for any reason, this application is not believed to be in full condition for allowance, applicant respectfully reminds Examiner that he has been and is again invited to write an acceptable claim in order to further illuminate for applicant the necessary approach to achieving allowable condition.

### **Summary of Claims**

Applicant submits that all claims have been rewritten to render them allowable over the cited references.

Very respectfully,



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